The Myth of the Anchor Baby

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Anchor Baby: Used as a disparaging term for a child born to a noncitizen mother in a country that grants automatic citizenship to children born on its soil, especially when the child's birthplace is thought to have been chosen in order to improve the mother's or other relatives' chances of securing eventual citizenship.

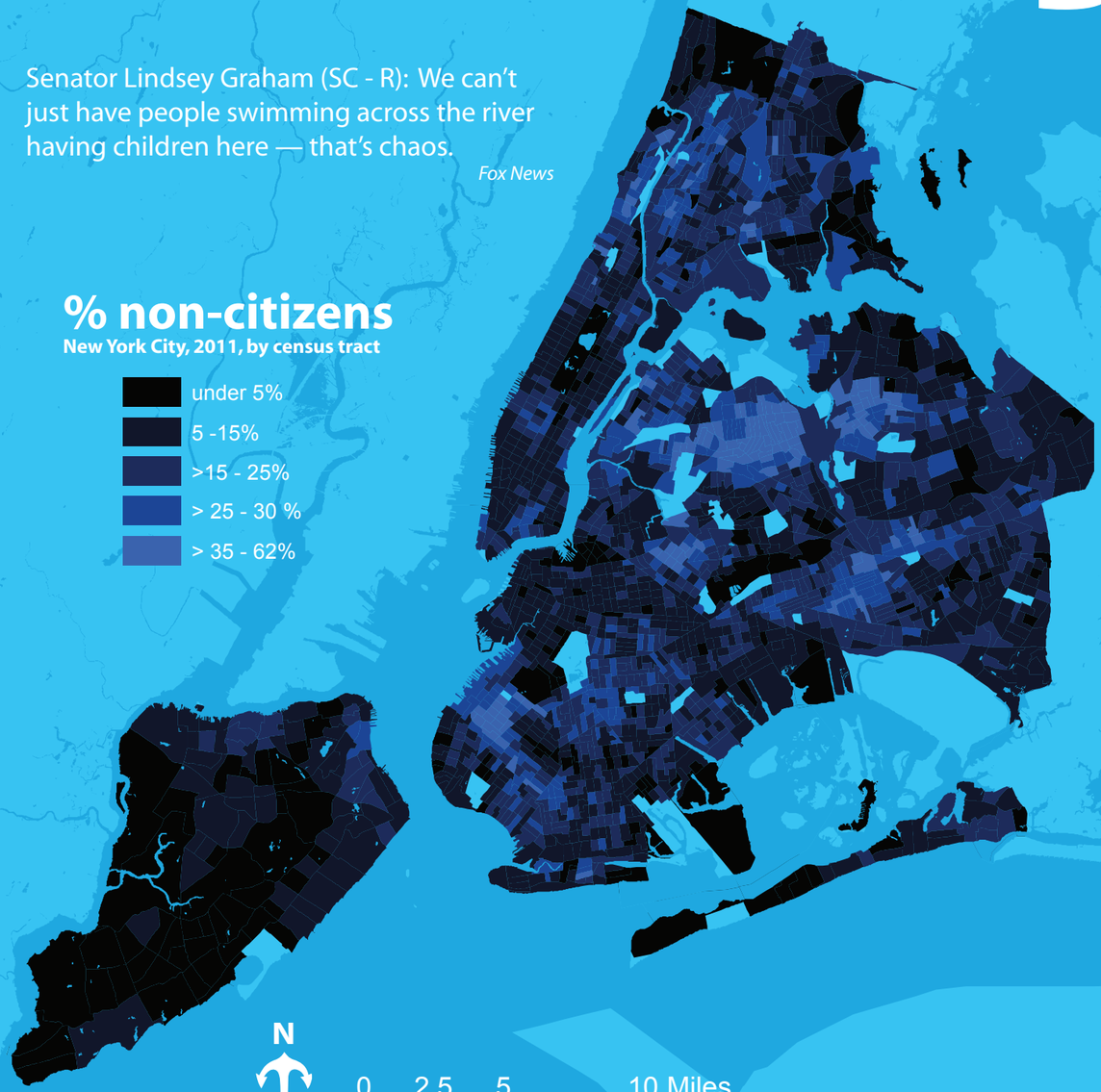
American Heritage Dictionary

Senator Lindsey Graham (SC - R): We can't just have people swimming across the river having children here — that's chaos.

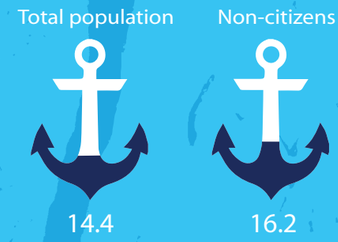
Fox News

% non-citizens

New York City, 2011, by census tract



Actual Fertility rates (woman having given birth in the past year) for every 1000 people in census tracts with greater than 35% non-citizens



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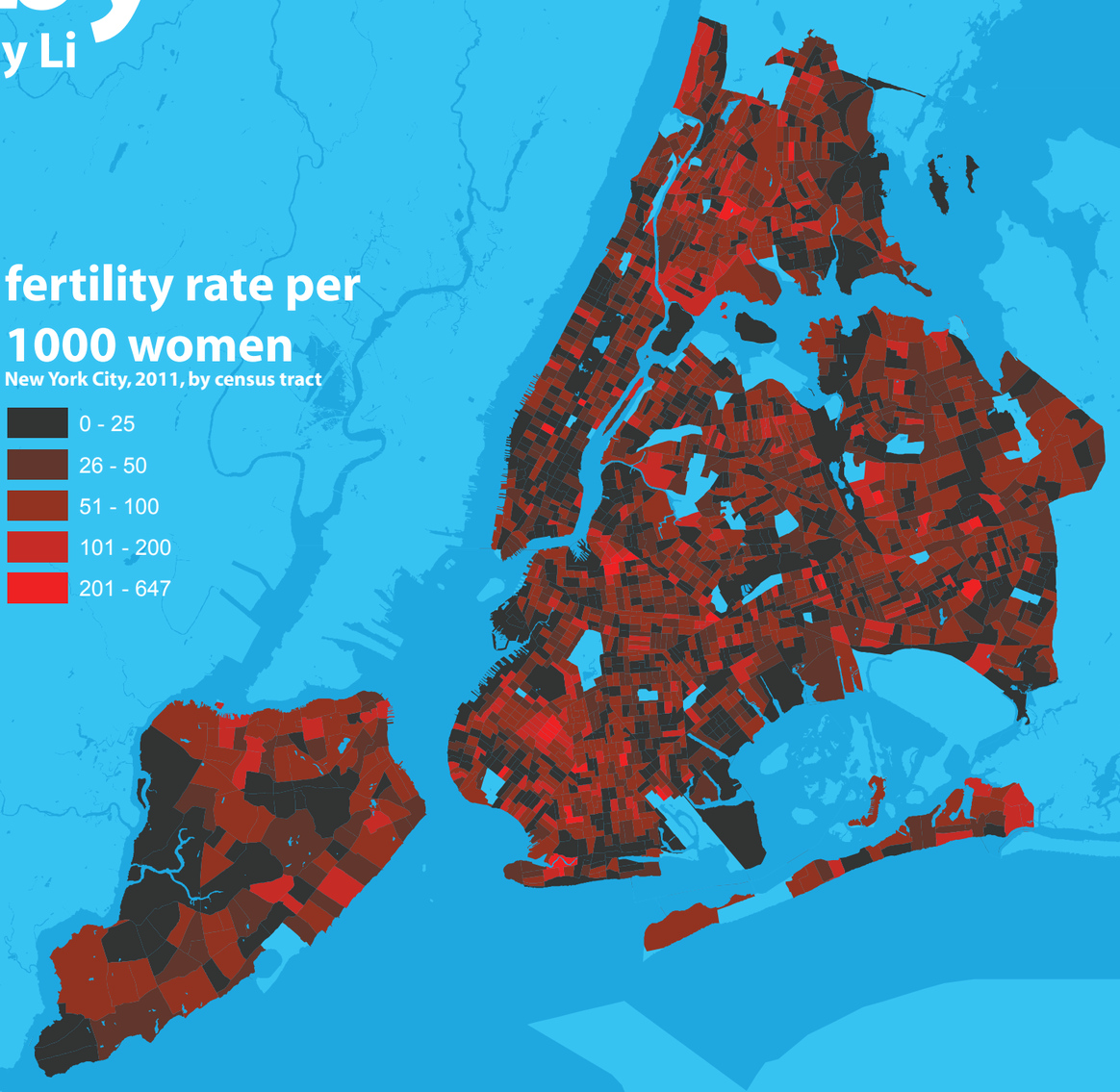

Data Source: American Community Survey 2007-2011, US Census Bureau